

I. IN THE SPECIFICATION

On specification page 1 following the title, please delete the paragraph immediately after the title "STEGANOGRAPHIC METHOD AND DEVICE".

On specification page 1, immediately after the title "STEGANOGRAPHIC METHOD AND DEVICE", please add the following header and paragraph:

"CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a division of application Ser. No. 08/775,216 filed 31 Dec. 1996, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,687,236, issued 11 Nov. 1997, which is a continuation of application Ser. No. 08/489,172 filed 7 Jun. 1995, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,613,004 issued 18 Mar. 1997."